



# Section Five

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# CRIME INDEX FOR POPULATION GROUPS – 2004

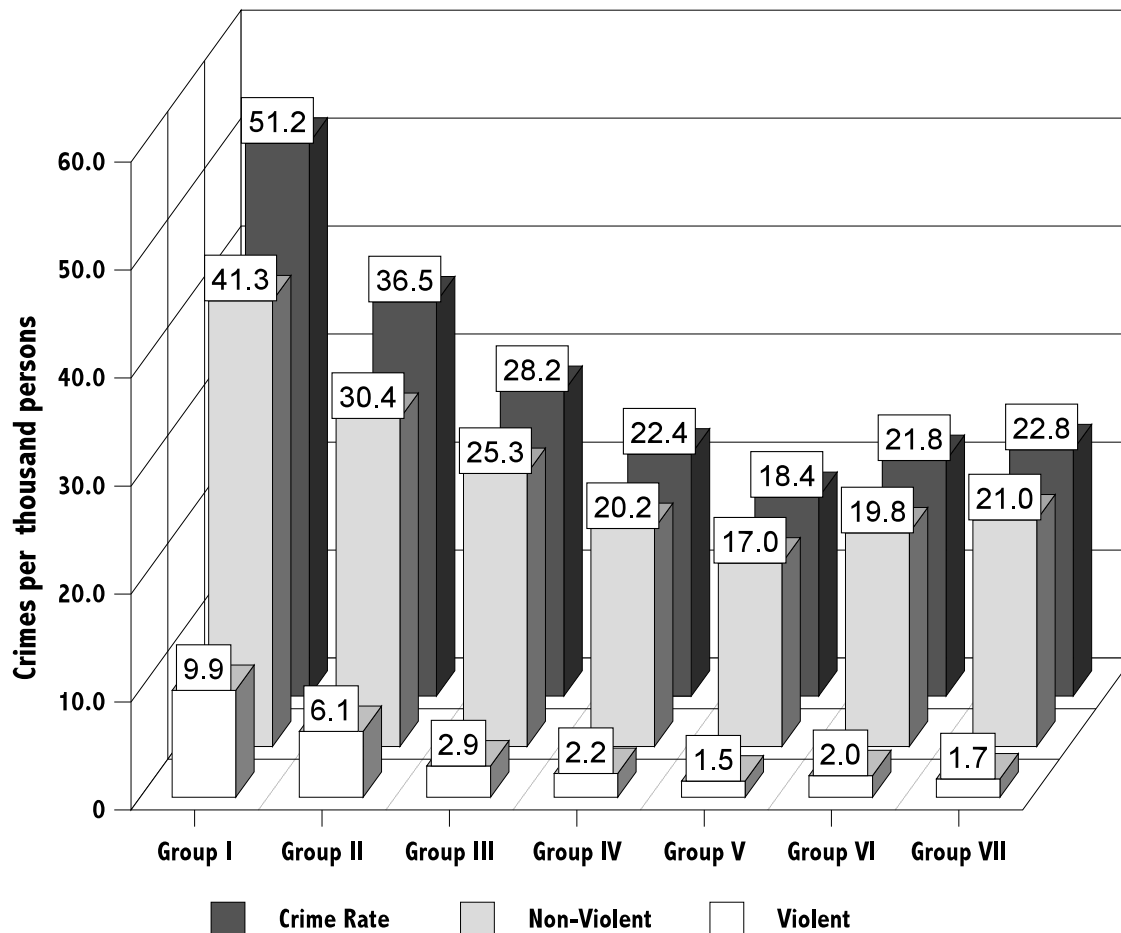
The presentation of crime statistics by population groups was made for the purpose of projecting, for consideration, the relative crime experience of communities of varying populations. Although the individual municipalities within the various groups may be geographically separated, their inclusion into a specific group was predicated by the similarity in population with the other municipalities within the group. Municipalities within the same group may differ widely when all factors are considered, but they do share the common bond of population size. The grouping of communities in this manner allows recognition of variances in the crime volumes, rates and clearances between the established groups.

Set forth below are the established municipal groupings as used in this section:

POPULATION GROUPS	TOTAL CRIME INDEX	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggra- vated Assault	Burglary	Larceny- Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft
<b>GROUP I</b>								
<b>4 Municipalities over 100,000</b>	40,530	129	191	3,950	3,575	6,502	15,826	10,357
<b>Population — 791,005</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	51.2	0.2	0.2	5.0	4.5	8.2	20.0	13.1
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	15.7							
<b>GROUP II</b>								
<b>21 Municipalities 50,000 - 100,000</b>	55,416	138	280	4,109	4,722	9,473	28,756	7,938
<b>Population — 1,520,261</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	36.5	0.1	0.2	2.7	3.1	6.2	18.9	5.2
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	19.4							
<b>GROUP III</b>								
<b>59 Municipalities 25,000-50,000</b>	64,389	50	386	2,777	3,385	11,145	40,255	6,391
<b>Population — 2,280,268</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	28.2	♦	0.2	1.2	1.5	4.9	17.7	2.8
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	19.4							
<b>GROUP IV</b>								
<b>67 Municipalities 15,000-25,000</b>	31,674	28	179	1,177	1,745	5,318	20,797	2,430
<b>Population — 1,413,521</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	22.4	♦	0.1	0.8	1.2	3.8	14.7	1.7
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	21.5							
<b>GROUP V</b>								
<b>220 Municipalities 5,000-15,000</b>	38,974	38	219	831	1,991	6,418	26,854	2,623
<b>Population — 2,112,872</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	18.4	♦	0.1	0.4	0.9	3.0	12.7	1.2
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	23.7							
<b>GROUP VI</b>								
<b>117 Municipalities 2,000-5,000</b>	9,168	8	56	191	589	1,784	6,054	486
<b>Population — 419,678</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	21.8	♦	0.1	0.5	1.4	4.3	14.4	1.2
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	24.3							
<b>GROUP VII</b>								
<b>78 Municipalities under 2,000</b>	2,293	1	17	36	119	392	1,639	89
<b>Population — 100,791</b>								
<b>Rate per 1,000 inhabitants</b>	22.8	♦	0.2	0.4	1.2	3.9	16.3	0.9
<b>Percent Index Offenses Cleared</b>	22.5							

♦ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

# COMPARATIVE CRIME RATES FOR POPULATION GROUPS 2004



- Group I - Four municipalities with populations over 100,000.
- Group II - Twenty-one municipalities with populations between 50,000 and 100,000.
- Group III - Fifty-nine municipalities with populations between 25,000 and 50,000.
- Group IV - Sixty-seven municipalities with populations between 15,000 and 25,000.
- Group V - Two hundred twenty municipalities with populations between 5,000 and 15,000.
- Group VI - One hundred seventeen municipalities with populations between 2,000 and 5,000.
- Group VII - Seventy-eight municipalities with populations under 2,000.

Percent Distribution may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.

# URBAN – SUBURBAN – RURAL CRIME

## 5 YEAR COMPARISON

### 2000/2004 Summary Analysis

OFFENSES	URBAN			SUBURBAN			RURAL		
	2000	2004	Percent Change	2000	2004	Percent Change	2000	2004	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	234	<b>331</b>	<b>41</b>	39	<b>47</b>	<b>21</b>	15	<b>14</b>	<b>-7</b>
<b>Rape</b>	846	<b>767</b>	<b>-9</b>	423	<b>448</b>	<b>6</b>	83	<b>113</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	11,318	<b>10,910</b>	<b>-4</b>	1,939	<b>1,855</b>	<b>-4</b>	293	<b>306</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	12,416	<b>11,367</b>	<b>-8</b>	3,691	<b>3,624</b>	<b>-2</b>	979	<b>1,135</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	27,111	<b>24,267</b>	<b>-10</b>	13,487	<b>13,071</b>	<b>-3</b>	3,336	<b>3,694</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	81,801	<b>72,263</b>	<b>-12</b>	61,820	<b>56,048</b>	<b>-9</b>	11,859	<b>11,870</b>	<b>*</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	26,382	<b>23,989</b>	<b>-9</b>	6,837	<b>5,401</b>	<b>-21</b>	931	<b>924</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>160,108</b>	<b>143,894</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>88,236</b>	<b>80,494</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>17,496</b>	<b>18,056</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>24,814</b>	<b>23,375</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>6,092</b>	<b>5,974</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>1,370</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>135,294</b>	<b>120,519</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>82,144</b>	<b>74,520</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>16,126</b>	<b>16,488</b>	<b>2</b>

\* Less than one-half of one percent.

The character of some municipalities has changed due to the updating of Urban, Suburban and Rural classifications.

- Comparing 2004 to 2000, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in Index offenses, a decrease of 10 percent.
- Index crimes in Suburban communities decreased 9 percent, while Rural communities increased 3 percent.
- Comparing 2004 to 2000, Rural communities experienced the largest percentage change in violent crimes, an increase of 14 percent.
- Urban communities experienced a 6 percent decrease, while Suburban communities experienced a 2 percent decrease in violent crimes, comparing 2004 to 2000.
- Comparing 2004 to 2000, Urban communities experienced the largest percentage change in nonviolent crimes, a decrease of 11 percent.
- Suburban communities experienced a 9 percent decrease and Rural communities experienced a 2 percent increase in nonviolent crimes, comparing 2004 to 2000.

# URBAN NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 2003/2004

Municipalities: 155

Population: 3,817,129

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2003	2004	Percent Change	2003	2004	Percent Change	2003	2004	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	336	<b>331</b>	<b>-1</b>	◇	◇	-	82.8	<b>84.4</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Rape</b>	797	<b>767</b>	<b>-4</b>	0.21	<b>0.20</b>	<b>-5</b>	62.1	<b>57.8</b>	<b>-7</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	11,158	<b>10,910</b>	<b>-2</b>	2.92	<b>2.86</b>	<b>-2</b>	83.4	<b>83.5</b>	<b>*</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	11,668	<b>11,367</b>	<b>-3</b>	3.06	<b>2.98</b>	<b>-3</b>	71.0	<b>70.5</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	26,137	<b>24,267</b>	<b>-7</b>	6.85	<b>6.36</b>	<b>-7</b>	60.3	<b>59.1</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	74,776	<b>72,263</b>	<b>-3</b>	19.59	<b>18.93</b>	<b>-3</b>	52.4	<b>51.6</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	27,262	<b>23,989</b>	<b>-12</b>	7.14	<b>6.28</b>	<b>-12</b>	78.7	<b>79.1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>152,134</b>	<b>143,894</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>39.85</b>	<b>37.70</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>60.3</b>	<b>59.4</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>23,959</b>	<b>23,375</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>6.28</b>	<b>6.12</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>76.0</b>	<b>75.6</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>128,175</b>	<b>120,519</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>33.57</b>	<b>31.57</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>58.1</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>-2</b>

◇ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

\* Less than one-half of one percent.

- There were 143,894 offenses reported in municipalities of Urban character during 2004, this represents a decrease of 5 percent compared to 2003.
- Fifty-nine percent of all Index crimes occurred in Urban areas.
- Violent crime in Urban communities decreased 2 percent and accounted for 76 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in Urban communities decreased 6 percent and accounted for 57 percent of the state's total nonviolent crime.
- The crime rate in Urban communities decreased 5 percent to 37.7 victims for every 1,000 persons.

# SUBURBAN NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 2003/2004

Municipalities: 254

Population: 3,821,790

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2003	2004	Percent Change	2003	2004	Percent Change	2003	2004	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	49	<b>47</b>	<b>-4</b>	◇	◇	-	12.1	<b>12.0</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Rape</b>	388	<b>448</b>	<b>15</b>	0.10	<b>0.12</b>	<b>20</b>	30.2	<b>33.7</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	1,919	<b>1,855</b>	<b>-3</b>	0.51	<b>0.49</b>	<b>-4</b>	14.3	<b>14.2</b>	<b>-1</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	3,636	<b>3,624</b>	<b>*</b>	0.96	<b>0.95</b>	<b>-1</b>	22.1	<b>22.5</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	13,831	<b>13,071</b>	<b>-5</b>	3.65	<b>3.42</b>	<b>-6</b>	31.9	<b>31.9</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	56,472	<b>56,048</b>	<b>-1</b>	14.89	<b>14.67</b>	<b>-1</b>	39.6	<b>40.0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	6,359	<b>5,401</b>	<b>-15</b>	1.68	<b>1.41</b>	<b>-16</b>	18.3	<b>17.8</b>	<b>-3</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>82,654</b>	<b>80,494</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>21.79</b>	<b>21.06</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>32.8</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>5,992</b>	<b>5,974</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>1.58</b>	<b>1.56</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>19.3</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>76,662</b>	<b>74,520</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>20.21</b>	<b>19.50</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>34.7</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>1</b>

◇ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

\* Less than one-half of one percent.

- Suburban Index offenses decreased 3 percent in 2004.
- Thirty-three percent of reported Index crimes occurred in Suburban communities.
- Violent crime decreased by less than one-half of one percent and represented 19 percent of the state's violent crime total.
- Nonviolent crime decreased 3 percent and accounted for 35 percent of the nonviolent crime in the state.
- The crime rate was calculated at 21.1 victims per 1,000 inhabitants; a decrease of 3 percent compared to 2003.

# RURAL NUMBER – RATE – DISTRIBUTION 2003/2004

Municipalities: 157

Population: 999,477

OFFENSES	NUMBER			CRIME RATE/1,000			PERCENT OF STATE TOTAL		
	2003	2004	Percent Change	2003	2004	Percent Change	2003	2004	Percent Change
<b>Murder</b>	21	<b>14</b>	<b>-33</b>	♦	♦	-	5.2	<b>3.6</b>	<b>-31</b>
<b>Rape</b>	98	<b>113</b>	<b>15</b>	0.10	<b>0.11</b>	<b>10</b>	7.6	<b>8.5</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	308	<b>306</b>	<b>-1</b>	0.31	<b>0.31</b>	<b>0</b>	2.3	<b>2.3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	1,138	<b>1,135</b>	♦	1.16	<b>1.14</b>	<b>-2</b>	6.9	<b>7.0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	3,407	<b>3,694</b>	<b>8</b>	3.48	<b>3.70</b>	<b>6</b>	7.9	<b>9.0</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Larceny-Theft</b>	11,355	<b>11,870</b>	<b>5</b>	11.60	<b>11.88</b>	<b>2</b>	8.0	<b>8.5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	1,034	<b>924</b>	<b>-11</b>	1.06	<b>0.92</b>	<b>-13</b>	3.0	<b>3.0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>17,361</b>	<b>18,056</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17.73</b>	<b>18.07</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>1,565</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>1.60</b>	<b>1.57</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Nonviolent Crime</b>	<b>15,796</b>	<b>16,488</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16.13</b>	<b>16.50</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>8</b>

♦ Less than one-tenth of one percent.

\* Less than one-half of one percent.

- In 2004 there were 18,056 Index crimes reported in Rural municipalities, a 4 percent increase compared to 2003.
- Seven percent of the state's Index crime occurred in Rural communities.
- Violent crime increased by less than one-half of one percent and accounted for 5 percent of the state's total violent crime.
- Nonviolent crime in Rural communities accounted for 8 percent of the nonviolent crime in the state.
- The crime rate in Rural communities increased 2 percent to 18.1 victims per 1,000 inhabitants.

# UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE OFFENSE DATA – 2004

(All Offenses are Recorded in the Municipality of Occurrence)

University or College	Total Crime Index	Violent Crime	Non- Violent Crime	Murder	Rape	Robbery	Aggra- vated Assault	Burglary	Larceny- Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson ★
<b>BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>44</b>	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>43</b>	-	-
<b>ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
Newark City	76	1	75	-	-	-	1	8	62	5	-
West Caldwell Borough	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>KEAN UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
Elizabeth City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hillside Township	29	0	29	-	-	-	-	2	26	1	-
Union Township	136	5	131	-	1	1	3	10	117	4	-
<b>MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>57</b>	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	-	<b>56</b>	<b>1</b>	-
<b>MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Long Branch City	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ocean Township	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Long Branch Borough	110	5	105	-	2	-	3	28	77	-	1
<b>MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>
Clifton City	18	0	18	-	-	-	-	4	13	1	-
Little Falls Township	173	4	169	-	2	1	1	36	115	18	-
Montclair Town	31	0	31	-	-	-	-	4	26	1	-
<b>NJ INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>176</b>	-	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>132</b>	39	-
<b>ROWAN UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>238</b>	-	<b>2</b>	-	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>221</b>	2	-
<b>RUTGERS UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2</b>
Camden Campus	129	6	123	-	1	3	2	22	99	2	1
New Brunswick Campus	589	27	562	0	3	16	8	140	409	13	1
East Brunswick Township	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edison Township	4	1	3	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	-
Highland Park Borough	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick City	339	15	324	-	2	9	4	71	245	8	1
North Brunswick Township	12	0	12	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	-
Piscataway Township	234	11	223	-	1	6	4	62	156	5	-
Newark Campus	179	9	170	-	-	4	5	10	144	16	-
<b>STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>63</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>5</b>	<b>58</b>	-	-
<b>RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF N.J.</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>52</b>	-	-	<b>1</b>	-	<b>4</b>	<b>48</b>	-	<b>1</b>
<b>THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>113</b>	-	<b>4</b>	-	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>UNIV. OF MEDICINE &amp; DENTISTRY</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1</b>
Camden Campus	22	0	22	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	-
Newark Campus	492	40	452	-	-	14	26	35	344	73	1
New Brunswick Campus	31	2	29	-	-	1	1	-	28	1	-
Piscataway Campus	26	0	26	-	-	-	-	-	26	-	-
<b>WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Haledon Borough	5	0	5	-	-	-	-	3	2	-	-
North Haledon Borough	9	1	8	-	-	-	1	1	7	-	-
Wayne Township	81	3	78	-	1	-	2	14	64	-	-
<b>TOTAL UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE</b>	<b>2,914</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>2,776</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>2,231</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>9</b>

★ Arson is not tabulated into the crime index offense total.